

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) An image data communication system, comprising:

an image processing apparatus comprising an image processing circuit for converting a captured image signal to image data having a reduced data size that can be readily processed in a remotely located image display apparatus of a transmission destination and a transmission circuit for outputting said image data along with additional data including transmission destination information associated with said image display apparatus;

an image distribution server remotely located from said image processing apparatus for receiving said converted image data and said additional data, generating electronic address information used for retrieving and viewing said image data, and transmitting said electronic address information to said image display apparatus using said transmission destination information; and

an ~~said~~ image display apparatus being operative to receive said electronic address information, retrieve said converted image data using said electronic address information and display an image using said retrieved converted image data ~~having a capability of displaying an image consisting of no more than a maximum amount of image data; and~~

~~an image pickup apparatus operable to capture an image as an image signal, to convert said image signal to a selected amount of image data, said selected amount of image data being no greater than said maximum amount of image data, and to output said selected amount of image data to said image display apparatus.~~

2. (currently amended) The image data communication system according to claim 1, further comprising wherein said image

processing apparatus records said image signal onto a recording medium for recording said image signal.

3. (currently amended) The image data communication system according to claim 1, wherein said ~~image pickup apparatus is operable to convert said image signal to said selected amount of image data and to record said selected amount of image data on a recording medium~~transmission destination information comprises an e-mail address associated with the image display apparatus and said electronic address information comprises a URL.

4. (original) The image data communication system according to claim 1, wherein said image display apparatus is a portable terminal capable of displaying an image.

5. (currently amended) The image data communication system according to claim 1, wherein said ~~image pickup processing~~ apparatus uses a subtractive color process to convert said image signal to said ~~selected amount of image data~~ having a data size in compliance with an image display capability of the image display apparatus.

6. (currently amended) The image data communication system according to claim 1, wherein said image data output further comprising a wired network for transmitting said selected amount of image data from said image pickup processing apparatus is sent to said image display apparatus via a wired network.

7. (currently amended) The image data communication system according to claim 6, ~~further comprising an image storage server connected to said wired network,~~ wherein said ~~selected amount of image data is~~ output from said image ~~pickup processing~~ apparatus is uploaded with said data size unchanged to said an image storage server connected to said wired network.

8. (currently amended) The image data communication system according to claim 7, wherein said image display apparatus ~~downloads said selected amount of image data from said image storage server.~~

9. (currently amended) The image data communication system according to claim 1, ~~further comprising wherein said image data output from said image processing apparatus is sent to said display apparatus via a wireless transmission path and a wired network for transmitting said selected amount of image data from said image pickup apparatus to said image display apparatus.~~

10. (currently amended) The image data communication system according to claim 9, ~~further comprising an image storage server connected to said wired network, wherein said selected amount of image data is output from said image pickup processing apparatus is uploaded with said data size unchanged to said an image storage server connected to said wired network.~~

11. (currently amended) The image data communication system according to claim 10, wherein said image display apparatus downloads said ~~selected amount of image data~~ from said image storage server.

12. (currently amended) The image data communication system according to claim 1, further comprising a communication apparatus connected to said image ~~pickup processing~~ apparatus, and wherein said ~~selected amount of image data~~ is output from said ~~image pickup apparatus~~ to said image display apparatus via said communication apparatus.

13. (currently amended) The image data communication system according to claim 1, wherein said image ~~pickup processing~~ apparatus includes a communication apparatus ~~operative to, and said selected amount of image data is output~~ said image data from said image ~~pickup processing~~ apparatus ~~to said image display apparatus via said communication apparatus.~~

14. (currently amended) The image data communication system according to claim 1, wherein said image display apparatus includes a communication apparatus operative to, ~~said image display apparatus receiving said selected amount of~~ receive

~~said image data from said image pickup apparatus via said communication apparatus.~~

15. (currently amended) A method for sending image data from an image pickup apparatus to an a remotely located image display apparatus having a capability of displaying an image consisting of no more than a maximum amount of image data, said method comprising:

converting an image signal captured by the image pickup apparatus to image data having a reduced data size that can be readily processed the image display apparatus;

outputting the image data with additional data including transmission destination information associated with the image display apparatus;

receiving the converted image data and the additional data at an image distribution server;

generating electronic address information used for retrieving and viewing the image data;

transmitting the electronic address information by the image distribution server to the image display apparatus using the transmission destination information;

receiving the electronic address information at the image display apparatus;

retrieving the converted image data using the electronic address information; and

displaying an image on the image display apparatus using the retrieved converted image data ~~capturing an image as an image signal in said image pickup apparatus;~~

~~converting said image signal to a selected amount of image data, said selected amount of image data having no greater than said maximum amount of image data;~~

~~transmitting said selected amount of image data to said image display apparatus; and~~

~~receiving said selected amount of image data and displaying said selected amount of image data as an image on said image display apparatus.~~

16. (currently amended) The method according to claim 15, wherein ~~said converting step converts said image signal to said selected amount of image data using a subtractive color process~~ transmission destination information comprises an e-mail address associated with the image display apparatus and said electronic address information comprises a URL.

17. (currently amended) The method according to claim 15, wherein ~~said step of transmitting~~ retrieving said selected amount of image data includes transmitting said selected amount of image data to the image display apparatus using at least one of a wireless transmission path and/or a wired network.

18. (currently amended) An image pickup apparatus, comprising:

~~an image pickup device operable to capture an image as an image signal;~~

an image processing circuit for generating image data from said image pickup device having a reduced data size that can be readily processed in an image display apparatus remotely disposed from the image pickup apparatus; and

a transmission circuit for outputting said image data with additional data including an electronic address associated with the remotely located image display device via a communications network

~~an image data processing unit operable to convert said image signal to a selected amount of image data; and~~

~~an output unit operable to output said selected amount of image data.~~

19. (currently amended) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 18, ~~further comprising a communication apparatus~~ wherein said transmission circuit is operable to

wirelessly transmit said selected amount of image data to an image display apparatus.

20. (currently amended) The image pickup apparatus according to claim 18, further comprising a recording medium for recording said ~~selected amount of image~~ signal.

21. (canceled)

22. (currently amended) A method for generating image data by an image processing device from an image captured as an image signal, said image data to be displayed on an image display apparatus remotely located from the image processing device ~~having a capability of displaying an image consisting of no more than a maximum amount of image data, said method~~ comprising:

~~converting said an image signal to a selected amount of image data, said selected amount of image data having no greater than said maximum amount of image data~~ a reduced data size that can be readily processed the remotely located image display apparatus; and

outputting the image data with additional data including transmission destination information associated with the image display apparatus via a communications network.